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January 9th, 1888, will be Ohio's "Fortnight day."

Let "senatorial courtesy" (so-called) be given a vacation until after the nomination of Lamar is rejected.

Breakfasts are to be a feature of entertainment in Chicago, this winter, rather than dinners or suppers.

The political prohibitionists of Kansas, at their state convention, decided not to start a newspaper organ. Evidently they did not want their cause entirely ruined.

The New York Tribune thinks that republican organizations throughout the country should follow the example of the "Backers club at Springfield, Ohio," and see that their senators oppose the confirmation of Lamar.

The "Varieties" man of the Columbus Dispatch follows the example of the Cleveland Leader, in constructing the following:

Bo-B Lincoln, At-L-son, Ev-A-rt, Hart-I-son, Sherma-N, Haw-E-y.

The annual report of the U. S. labor commissioner—Hon. Carroll D. Wright—gives statistics of strikes and lockouts in the country for a period of six years, ending Dec. 31, 1886. He says that during that period there were 3,903 strikes involving 22,336 establishments, 1,318,624 employees. These strikes entailed a loss of \$20,048,822 to employers, and a loss of \$30,733,653 to employees, making a total cash loss from strikes of \$50,782,475.

A very elegant book of modest proportions is Colonel Coates Kinney's "Lyrics of the Ideal and the Real." In print, paper and binding it corresponds worthily with the beauty of the lyrics themselves. We have in the book a "revised version" of that little classic—"Rain on the Roof," which is unique and unapproachable in its way. Among the poems, the "Freedman's Battle Hymn" is conspicuous for spirit and vigor, temperance with grace and beauty. Each member of the Executive editorial force is indebted to the esteemed author for a copy of this charming little work, which will be described and commented upon in detail in a future issue of this paper.

Plymouth church has a pastor at last. Rev. Lyman Abbott having been chosen to fill, as nearly as can be, the pulpit of Mr. Beecher. Youngstown Telegram.

The Rev. Lyman Abbott, D. D., is a man of as much intellectual ability as the late Henry Ward Beecher, and in the respects of real learning and practical sense he will fill to the full measure Mr. Beecher's vacant place. Neither he, nor any other living man, is as eloquent as Mr. Beecher, but Dr. Abbott is a thorough and advanced thinker, and a very able instructor, and he has qualities which will make him a very worthy and useful follower of the great Plymouth pulpit orator. Indeed, the Plymouth people need just such a man as Dr. Abbott and will be very fortunate if they can persuade him to accept and continue in the pastorate, but the Doctor's pulpit in the Christian Union is a more important position than the pulpit of Plymouth church and his congregation is more than a thousand times as large. We doubt whether he has the physical strength to edit it and at the same time discharge the duties of the Plymouth pastorate, and we feel pretty sure that he ought not to try. We do not believe that he will. We have known a number of good men who worked themselves into untimely graves by trying to do just that.

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Gen. Mitchell's "Mule Gunboat."

He concluded that it was necessary for him to have a gunboat with which to patrol the river. No regular boat could pass the shoals to come far enough up the Tennessee river for the purpose. Besides, if he asked the government for a gunboat the war might end before he could get it. He found an old mule ferryboat. This he patched up, and mounting a gun forward set her adrift under the name of the "Gunboat Tennessee." There is something ludicrous in the military gravity with which he gave his instructions to his commander. When one considers the human resources that were placed at the disposal of other gunboats and the makeshifts of Mitchell, working with nothing except what he could improvise, there is something more ludicrous in this order. It is pathetic.

"CAPTAIN: You are placed in command of the Gunboat Tennessee, now lying at Whitesburg. You will find one piece of artillery on board the boat. You will take on board a crew of armed river men from your own company such as you may deem necessary. You are also authorized to take on board volunteers from the detachment of the Fifteenth Kentucky, now at Whitesburg. Go prepared for any emergency to work your boat should the horses and mules be killed."

Education Among the Chinese.

As a people the Chinese males are better educated than any other race of people in the world. Education to a certain extent is compulsory for all Chinese males, although the Chinese government has been the policy of the Chinese government for hundreds of years to select a certain number of boys from each district and educate them for literatures and writers. Their work is never completed, for as long as they live and are able to do anything they continue to study and write. Every five years they pass an examination, and, according to their proficiency, they are promoted to office or rank. As a rule no Chinese can hope to attain prominence in any civil or military office pertaining to the government unless he has succeeded as a scholar for the Chinese believe no man can succeed as a scholar unless he has ability, and if he possesses ability, why then, as a matter of course, he is a suitable person to hold office; but no matter how high the office may be, he must continue his studies, the duties of his office being generally performed by a deputy—San Francisco Cor. Chicago Herald.

The Orange Tree and the Lemon are both descended from the citron.

The history of the orange tree is said to date back to the crusades, the returning Pilgrims carrying it into Europe 700 or 800 years ago—Chicago Herald.

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Holiday Excursions.

The Pennsylvania Lines west of Pittsburgh will sell excursion tickets at one fare for the round trip from a station December 24th, 25th, 26th and 31st, 1887, and January 1st and 3d, 1888. All tickets good returning until January 3d, 1888. No excursion tickets will be sold to adults for less than 25 cents, nor to children for less than 15 cents. No excursion tickets will be sold on December 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th, 1887. For further information call on or address nearest ticket agent Pittsburgh, Cincinnati & St. Louis Railway Co.

CONSTIPATION

"I called the 'Father of Diseases,' because there is no medium through which disease so often attacks the system as by the absorption of poisonous gases in the retention of decayed and effete matter in the stomach and bowels. It is caused by a Torpid Liver, not enough bile being excreted from the blood to produce nature's own cathartic, and is generally accompanied with such results as Loss of Appetite, Sick Headache, Bad Breath, etc."

The treatment of Constipation does not consist merely in unloading the bowels. The medicine must not only act as a purgative, but be a tonic as well, and not produce after its use greater costiveness. To secure a regular habit of body without changing the diet or disorganizing the system.

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